

Marx, *The Poverty of Philosophy* (1847) and other works
Seminar of the NYC Marxist Studies Collective
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In this class we will be studying a number of smaller, but vital works by Marx and by Marx and Engels. The largest of these works is Marx's *The Poverty of Philosophy* of 1847 in which he develops his thoughts on political economy in his critique of the French thinker Pierre Joseph Proudhon, often said to be the father of modern *anarchism*.

We will also be reading the *Communist Manifesto* (1848), co-written by Marx and Engels and the incomplete series of articles by Marx which he published in 1849 and which was published later in pamphlet form as *Wage Labor and Capital*. Marx started the latter work in 1847 as a series of lectures he delivered to the German Workers' Society in Brussels, and the work represents an excellent view of Marx's economic thinking in the late 1840s.

The course will run for 14 weeks on Friday evenings from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM starting on Friday, September 28, 2018 and continuing until Friday, December 28, 2018. Write to Russell Dale at russelleliotdale (at) gmail (dot) com for more information.

We will be reading the edition of Marx's *The Poverty of Philosophy* and the edition of Marx and Engels' *Communist Manifesto* that are found in volume 6 of the Marx-Engels Collected Works. The edition of Marx's *Wage Labor and Capital* we will read is found in volume 9 of the Marx-Engels Collected Works. Arrangements will be made for students who cannot buy a copy of the book.

The course is free of charge.